

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Claims 7-13 have been allowed. Claims 14-20 have been rejected. Claims 1-6 and 20 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-6 and 14-20 are cancelled herein.

The Examiner rejected claims 14-19 under 35 § U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by WO 02/062894 by Heederik. While Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's contention set forth in the Office Action, in order to expedite prosecution, Applicant cancels claims 14-19. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) is moot. Applicant requests that the rejection be withdrawn.

Applicant also cancels claims 1-6 and 20, which were previously withdrawn by the Examiner.

Since claims 1-6 and 14-20 have been cancelled, only allowed claims 7-13 remain pending. Therefore, Applicant submits that the application is in condition for allowance. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter related to the cancelled claims in one or more continuation and/or divisional applications.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and a timely issuance of a notice of allowance for claims 7-13.

In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988 under Attorney Docket No. **AVERP3525USB**.

Respectfully submitted,

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